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SUBJECT: KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UN

1. DURING FOREIGN MINISTER PARK'S CALL ON HABIB, HABIB AND HUMMEL TOOK OCCASION TO DISCUSS WITH HIM INITIATIVE SECRETARY IS CONSIDERING WITH RESPECT TO KOREA PASSAGE OF HIS UNGA SPEECH.

2. WITHOUT DISCUSSING ANY TEXTUAL LANGUAGE, HABIB INDICATED THAT SECRETARY CONSIDERING VARIANT OF FOUR POWER CONFERENCE PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE SUGGESTION THAT BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH MIGHT GET TOGETHER TO DISCUSS ARMISTICE AGREEMENT AND SECURITY SITUATION WITH US AND PRC ACTING AS OBSERVERS. ANY RESULTS OF SUCH MEETING COULD THEN BE RATIFIED BY A LARGER CONFERENCE OF INTER-
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ESTED POWERS.

3. HABIB STRESSED TO FOREIGN MINISTER PARK CONFIDENTIALITY OF EXCHANGE INDICATING WE ARE NOT REPEAT NOT AT THIS TIME DISCUSSING THIS MATTER WITH ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT. HABIB ASKED THAT PARK GET PRESIDENT PARK'S REACTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND HOPEFULLY BY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 AT THE LATEST. PARK PROMISED TO DO HIS BEST.

4. ABOVE IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY. IN EVENT MATTER RAISED BY KOREANS IN EITHER SEOUL OR NEW YORK, YOU SHOULD AVOID GETTING INVOLVED IN ANY DISCUSSION, INDICATING SIMPLY YOUR AWARENESS OF HABIB-PARK DISCUSSION AND NOTING THAT CHANNEL FOR THIS MATTER REMAINS FOREIGN MINISTER PARK AND HABIB. ROBINSON

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